

# PROVING GROUND CHIEF HERE

## Diplomatic Break Between United States and Vichy Is Near

### Our Daily Bread

Sliced Thin by The Editor

ALEX. H. WASHBURN

#### On Making a Dog Housebroke

To all of you who own dogs we offer the following without comment—an article by William Feather in the Imperial Type Metal magazine on how a dog can be housebroke:

### Jollop Races Start Sunday at Fair Park

1941 Racing Season to Begin at 2:30 Under Legion Auspices

Automobile racing will return to Hope's Fair park this Sunday afternoon.

The "Jollop Races," made famous throughout the Hope territory last summer, will again be sponsored by the American Legion, which will use the proceeds for construction of a Legion Hut in Fair park.

The races will start this Sunday, and will be held every Sunday until further notice, at 2:30 p. m., legions being posted on the entrance gate at Fair park to collect the advertised admission prices of 15 and 25 cents.

All over town this week curious folks have stopped to look at assorted piles of junk, which at the last minute mysteriously took shape as a home-built racing car.

Since last year's racing events the Legion has required many new safety devices for all entrants. Not only are the cars themselves made safer but the Fair park track has been graded for real dirt-track racing, and the curves have been elevated.

At 2:30 Sunday afternoon the official starter will walk out on the track and—Bang!—the 1941 Jollop Races are off!

### Concern Over Rising Red

Two-Foot Rise at Index Due to Reach Fulton

Reports from Fulton Saturday said that Red river rose 1½ feet Friday night to 26½ feet and continued to rise fast, causing some families in the river bottoms to move into Fulton bringing many head of stock.

The weather bureau now predicts the water will go to 28 or 29 feet by Sunday or Monday. Further up the river at Index a two foot rise was reported bringing the water to 26 feet, one foot above flood stage.

Fulton residents expressed concern saying the two foot rise at Index would reach Fulton within a few hours.

Little river was a little above 25 feet Saturday and rising fast.

### State Police Appointments

Hope and Emmet Men Selected by Commission

Twenty-one new men added to the State Police department Friday by the police commission included the appointments of Ivason Pritchett of the Hope police force and Otis Langston of Emmet.

Chief of Police F. V. Haynie said Saturday that no one had been selected to replace Pritchett on the Hope force, but that several men were being considered.

### Through the Mill

LIVERMORE, Ia. —(P)—Duke, a dog belonging to farmer Henry J. Kohlhaas, jumped on the platform of a binder. He went through the machine with the oats, was bound up neatly in the center of a bundle, and delivered from the other side without a scratch.

Twelve states of the Union have laws against driving too slowly.

### Might Result in Recognition 'Free French'

Another Possibility Is Tying Up of 1½ Billion French Credits

WASHINGTON — (AP) — A fresh and stinging U. S. accusation that France had been induced "to do Germany's fighting" in Syria raised a possibility Saturday that the government soon might back up with action its warnings to Vichy against close collaboration with Berlin.

The first and most immediate likelihood in the opinion of some authorities was that the Vichy government might be refused further funds from the approximately 1½ billion in French assets frozen in the U. S.

Another possible course of action over which there has been speculation is that the U. S. eventually might break off diplomatic relations with the Vichy regime, clearing the way for recognition of the "Free French" committee of Gen. Charles de Gaulle.

By WILLIS THORNTON  
The World After the War

The United States, in the midst of "an unlimited national emergency," is still far enough from "a shooting war" to look ahead to the world as it will be after the shooting is over.

Granted, the first order of business is to see that the world shall not be a mere playground for Nazi "master men," who would then be in a position to remold it in arbitrary accordance with a Nazi heart's desire. That is the first order of business, and one on which practically every American is agreed. It is primary, it is basic, but it is negative.

The positive side remains. We do NOT want a Nazi world. All are agreed on that. But what kind of a world do we want? There the worm of controversy creeps into the apple.

The British, fighting a desperate rear-guard action from Dunkerque to Crete, have had little time to juggle with brave new worlds. They have been most coy in committing themselves to any specific blueprint of future world order, and that is understandable. Your own blueprints are worthless if the other fellow forcibly seizes the contract.

First off, you must see that you get the job, or at least that the world has a free opportunity to award the job to you. Otherwise the best blueprints are wasted. So the British, putting first things first, have been trying to see to that.

Nevertheless, one way to get the job is to have a blueprint or at least a rough sketch available.

Enough free customers, or potentially free customers, remain, so that the British have at last had to hint at their blueprint. Foreign Secretary Eden has backed up the general lines of President Roosevelt's Four Freedoms: freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom from fear, freedom from want. And an India governed "By India, For India, and In India."

The last comes late, but it is better late than never. British performance in India gives at least a hope that it is an honest pledge. Nazi or Russian domination give no such hope. Blueprints overlap; pincurses clash. British victory, however, certainly gives more hope of a free world than any Nazi "new order" run by and for the benefit of a "master race." It is only in a world that is reasonably free that the United States can hope to move forward to a progressive destiny. We cannot know exact goals today, but we can sense directions. And in today's world, the direction is everything.

### Bears Decreasing

OTTAWA, Canada —(P)—Fishing boats that prow the banks of small streams in the Queen Charlotte coast are a big headache to fisheries officials—but there aren't as many as there used to be.

Ninety-one of the marauders were shot in 1940, reports to the fisheries department said. Bears are numerous in the islands. Officials said that along one small section of beach ten of the animals were seen scooping out pawfuls of salmon as the big fish began ascending creeks to spawn.

### Dan Pittman, Noted Prescott Merchant, Dies

Succumbs to Heart Attack Saturday; Funeral at 10 a. m. Monday

Dan Pittman, Sr., 62, co-founder of the Prescott Hardware company, past president of the Prescott Chamber of Commerce, and an outstanding merchant and civic leader of southwest Arkansas, died of an heart attack at the family home in Prescott at 2:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

The funeral service will be held at 10 o'clock Monday morning, with burial in DeAnn cemetery at Prescott, it was announced Saturday noon by the Cornish undertaking parlors at Prescott.

Mr. Pittman is survived by his widow; one son, Dan, Jr.; one brother, Charles, the surviving partner in Prescott Hardware company; and five sisters, Mrs. S. R. Crawford, Mrs. S. O. Logan, Mrs. T. C. McRae, Jr., Mrs. D. L. McRae and Mrs. Martin Guthrie.

Long an active figure in civic affairs of Prescott, Nevada county and southwest Arkansas, Mr. Pittman helped with the reorganization of Prescott Chamber of Commerce and was a past president of the organization. Mr. Pittman was a prominent church man, for seven years chairman of the board of stewards of the Prescott Methodist church, and was teacher of the men's Bible class.

### 13 Hempstead Boys Drafted

Must Report at Camp Robinson by June 23

Thirteen Hempstead county youths have been notified by the local draft board to report at Camp Joseph T. Robinson Monday, June 23, where they will be inducted into the U. S. Army under the compulsory military law.

The following have been drafted: 1272 Richard Donner Moore. 1298 Clarence Monroe Rogers. 1410 George Walter Hartsfield. 1542 Chester Walker White. 1554 Robert Edwin Huckabee. 1558A Clifton Emmet Duke. 1596 Carl Spence Folk. 1698 Dewey Cecil O'Bryant. 1645 Julius Paul Westbrooke. 1680 Odie Felston Ward. 1703 Kelsie Breckinridge Spears, Jr. 1705 Nolan Travis Clark. 1741 Alvah Dyke Middlebrooks.

Alternates: 1788 Clarence Virgil Booth. 1807 John Bunton Clark, Jr. 1811 George Martin Young.

### Revival Meet to Begin Here

Rev. Stublefield to Conduct Church of Christ Meet

Evangelist C. M. Stublefield, will be the preacher in a Gospel Meeting which will begin at the Church of Christ Sunday, and continue about two weeks.

Plain gospel preaching, and good congregational singing will be features stressed in the meeting.

Elder Stublefield is an evangelist with unusual Bible knowledge, and presents his lessons in a way, that the audience can see the beauty and simplicity of the Gospel of Christ. Services, 10 o'clock a. m., and 8 p. m. The public is invited.

### Habit-Forming

CINCINNATI. —(P)—A night club in a residential area here has an ardent foe, a lady who telephones police each night to complain the festivity is keeping her awake. Recently the establishment was closed for repairs, with only a watchman's snores disturbing the peace. But he found himself awakened by officers, summoned by the lady as usual to quiet "the scandalous and shocking hubbub."

### Syrian Conflict Is Seen as Forcing Hand of Soviet Russia's Wily Stalin



When Realist Stalin heard of Germany's new mechanical might, he did not push-pooh the idea as did the French General Staff. At right, Soviet troops take over a Polish village . . . enabled to do so because fact, not fancy, guided Realist Stalin in his relations with Hitler.

Stalin's Machiavellian skill put him in power. It kept him there. It led him to befuddle the democracies while secretly negotiating with Communism's avowed enemy—Nazism. Stalin's cunning has brought him safely and profitably—past many a danger spot. Will it carry him through the present crises in Nazi-Soviet relations? You will be better able to judge after reading the informative article below, written exclusively for NEA Service, by noted journalist-diplomat Henry Noble Hall.

By HENRY NOBLE HALL.  
Written for NEA Service

Machiavelli would have rejoiced at the machinations of Soviet diplomacy since Stalin—the Man of Steel—came to power in 1927. His foreign policy has been absolutely realistic, and is certain to remain so. What he has achieved almost passes belief; what he seeks to achieve may well send shivers down the spines of plain, everyday people the world over.

Stalin knows just how Hitler victorious would treat Russia, and his aim is, while staving off all possibility of eventual attack by Germany, to prolong the war until such time as the down-trodden and starving nations of Europe are ready for world revolution. Then the "New Order" in Europe would not be Hitler's National Socialism with exclusive state ownership in industry and state collectivization of agriculture.

One cannot get a bird's-eye view of such a shifting scene as Soviet diplomacy, but here is a motion picture of it:

By the Treaty of Brest-Litovsk in March, 1918, Russia lost 30 per cent of her population, 54 per cent of her industry, 90 per cent of her coal mines. She was cut off from the Black Sea. She had to surrender Russian Poland, Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, the islands of the Baltic. She had to recognize the independence of the Ukraine, where Germany had set up a puppet state, and of Georgia where Stalin was born.

Russia Has Recovered Everything She Lost  
Today Russia has recovered everything of value that she lost. She has added Bessarabia and Bukovina, Finland, Poland and the North Pole and beyond. She has secured control over vast spheres in North China, Manchuria, Outer Mongolia and Sinkiang, and a great deal of influence in Iran and Afghanistan. Her interest in the Dardanelles has revived.

No longer prostrate at the feet of her German conquerors, Russia has become a sleeping partner in the crime, and like most sleeping partners has managed to get her full share of loot, without any effort worth mention, without even fighting except in Poland.

After the last war, Russia, in a policy of complete diplomatic isolation, the Soviet leaders, living at home, lived in constant fear of foreign intervention and looked for France and Poland as their only friends.

Indeed, in 1921 the Poles under Pilsudski and General Gulgowski took the West Ukrainian town of Lwów from Russia. But in 1921 the Conference was quickly ended by the unexpected new Treaty of Friendship.

### 7 Ships Sunk by British Subs

British Raiders Go Into Axis-Controlled Harbors

LONDON —(P)—The admiralty announced Saturday British submarines in the Mediterranean had sunk seven "enemy" vessels and torpedoed three others in far-reaching recent forays which carried undersea warships even into German and Italian controlled harbors.

"Further successful attacks have been reported by our submarines operating against the enemy's commerce in the Mediterranean, said an admiralty spokesman. 'The attacks not only have been carried out at sea but our subs have sought out the enemy and destroyed him in his harbors.' The vessels sunk included an Italian armed trawler and two schooners which were escorted, a loaded supply ship of about 1,000 tons torpedoed in a harbor and two schooners and a large cargo supply freighter torpedoed in an Aegean harbor.

In addition a sub "torpedoed and almost certainly sank" a large tanker of about 8,000 tons. Another sub torpedoed the Strombo, a 5,232-ton vessel which was "reported to have reached Istanbul, having been seriously damaged," and an Italian armed merchant cruiser in the harbor of Bengasi was torpedoed."

### Singing at Garrett Church Here Sunday

The district singing class at the Garrett Memorial Baptist church will be held Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, it was announced. Several quartets will appear on the program. The public is invited.

### A Thought

But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation.—Mark 3:29.

### Seal Fate of Syrian Capital

Damascus, Unfortified City, Surrounded by British

By the Associated Press

British imperial and Free French forces Saturday closed in on 4,000-year old Damascus at the end of the first week of their campaign to take Syria and Lebanon out of Vichy's control and nullify them as assets in Berlin's war plans.

Authoritative sources in London said Vichy defenders of the Syrian capital had abandoned the town of Kisouze, 10 miles away, falling back close to the walls of the unfortified city. The fall of Damascus—a potential turning point in the Allied offensive of liberation and protection for the French-mandated lands, if not a pivotal development for the whole turn of events in Africa and the Middle East—was expected within a few hours, if it had not already been formally surrendered.

The Allied offensive into Syria and Lebanon depended greatly on how quickly the self-proclaimed liberators could occupy inland Damascus and coastal Beirut, Lebanese capital, without tremendous bloodshed. The latter factor, according to the Allies, cramped their mechanized style.

Resistance in the Sidon sector of the coast has slowed the advance on Beirut for two or three days. The land forces had been held there by the stubborn defenses at least 20 miles from their goal.

British naval and air forces have tried to soften the resistance without too much blasting. Beirut reported four separate RAF attacks Friday night but officials said the British did no damage and were forced out to sea by heavy anti-aircraft fire.

### Lt.-Col. Cabell May Use High School Building

Temporary Headquarters; Field Construction to Begin Next Week

Possible use of Hope high school as temporary headquarters during July and August from which work on the Army's 15-million-dollar Proving Ground will be directed was understood Saturday to have been proposed by Army officials who inspected the building here Friday.

It was understood that if the building is used it would not interfere with the opening of schools here in September.

Lieut.-Col. Cabell in Charge

Lieutenant-Colonel D. C. Cabell, recently named construction director of the Hempstead project, and Consultant Engineers Needle and Bergendorf inspected the school Friday and it was reported they selected four classrooms and the gymnasium for use as offices until permanent quarters can be constructed on the Proving Ground.

Col. Cabell also will be in charge of the testing ground after completion of the project.

Previously, officials of the Second army, of 100,000 men, which will maneuver in this area during August, inspected the school building, probably for possible use as a hospital during maneuvers.

It is believed here that another site will be selected for the maneuver hospital if the Proving Ground headquarters are set up at the school.

Construction Next Week  
It was said here that preliminary work on the Proving Ground would get underway next week with actual construction to begin July 1 and possible completion by September.

Construction of the project will require between 4,000 and 5,000 workers and, on completion, between 500 and 1,000 officers and men will be stationed here permanently.

Col. Cabell told Gov. Adkins at Little Rock Friday that the testing area north of Hope would be 15 miles long and five miles wide and would be enclosed by a seven-foot fence.

The area will include a 5,000-foot run-way for testing airplanes. A total of 700,000 tons of gravel will be used in construction of the runway.

### Perry School to Open Here

Business Classes Will Begin Tuesday, June 17

The Perry Business Schools of Brunswick, Georgia, largest operators of term business schools in the United States, will open a branch school in Hope on Tuesday morning, June 17, at 9 o'clock. The school will be located on the second floor of the Carrigan Building on S. Elm street.

The opening of this school will afford the young people of Hope and the surrounding area an unusual opportunity to get standard business training without the additional expense and loss of time in going away from home.

At no time in the 27 years that the Perry Schools have been operating over 25 states has there been so great a demand for clerical help as now. This demand is increasing daily because of the vast program being put into operation by our government to meet changing world conditions. The emphasis is necessarily on intensive training and quick preparation such as are offered in the Perry Schools.

Standard courses in all business subjects will be offered in both day and night classes at the cost of tuition and books.

Miss Elsie Allen, office manager of the Perry Schools, will come to Hope for the opening.

Miss Marguerite Brumley, field superintendent of the Perry Schools, has had charge of the organization work for the school and states that the interest and cooperation of the local people in bringing this school to Hope have resulted in an unusually good enrollment for both day and night sessions.

For further details about the opening attention is called to an announcement elsewhere in this paper.



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One two room frame school building located on the southwest corner of the block West of the Courthouse, said block being owned by the City of Hope, Arkansas.

Terms of said sale are for cash and the Board of Directors will receive sealed bids up and until midnight July 13-14, 1941. Said bids must be filed with Clifford Franks, Secretary, on or before said date.

The Board reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

In testimony whereof said Board of Directors has caused this notice to be published, the same being executed by its President and attested by its Secretary.

Hope School District No. 1-A  
E. P. Young, President  
Attest:  
Clifford Franks, Secretary 14-21-28-5

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I WISH WE HAD SOME SALT FOR THESE RADISHES!

YOU FELLERS GOIN' VERY FUR?

ALL I'M GETTIN' OUTA THIS LOAD OF VEGETABLES IS A LOT OF BALONEY!

SOMEBODY IS BEING TAKEN FOR A RIDE

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**HIGHLIGHTS FROM LATEST BOOKS**

**"Whistle Stop" Is Sharp, Relentless History of Family**

There's nothing school-girlish about Maritta M. Wolff's "Whistle Stop" (Random House; \$2.50), although the story was written during the author's final year in college. Here is a mature book by an author who promises more and finer works.

"Whistle Stop" concerns itself with the fortunes of the Veech family, a bunch of no-goods if there ever was one. In any section of the country, they would be known as "poor white trash," but they do provide material for an excellent yarn.

Don't expect another "Grapes of Wrath." This isn't it. No sociological study. "Whistle Stop" has its greatest value in presenting an accurate picture of a definite type of family. And what the Veeches do, and how they do it, will keep you interested from first to last.

There's Molly Veech, the mother, who tries to hold her brood together, ineffectively; Kenny, a lazy, worthless, conceited, who looks for trouble and usually finds it; Mary, entangled in an affair with a wealthy hotel owner; Josie and Ten, sisters with directly opposite ideals and aims.

Take Kenny, for example. Girls fell for Kenny. He leaves one in a hospital disfigured for life as a result of an automobile accident. And he tells another he despises her as she lays dying. Only Mary understands Kenny; and there is a strange affection, broken when Kenny runs into trouble in a filling station hold-up.

And don't forget Dorothy, Mary's daughter. A cruel, plotting mind in a child's body, chafing a cat to death, coldly urging an old man on to suicide. You won't like Dorothy. For all the unpleasant qualities of the Veeches, for all their worthlessness, their story is worth your time.

**Sweet Home**

W. E. Sherrell of Benton filled his regular appointment here Sunday.

Miss Louise Graham of Prescott is here as house guest of Miss Virginia Lee Smith.

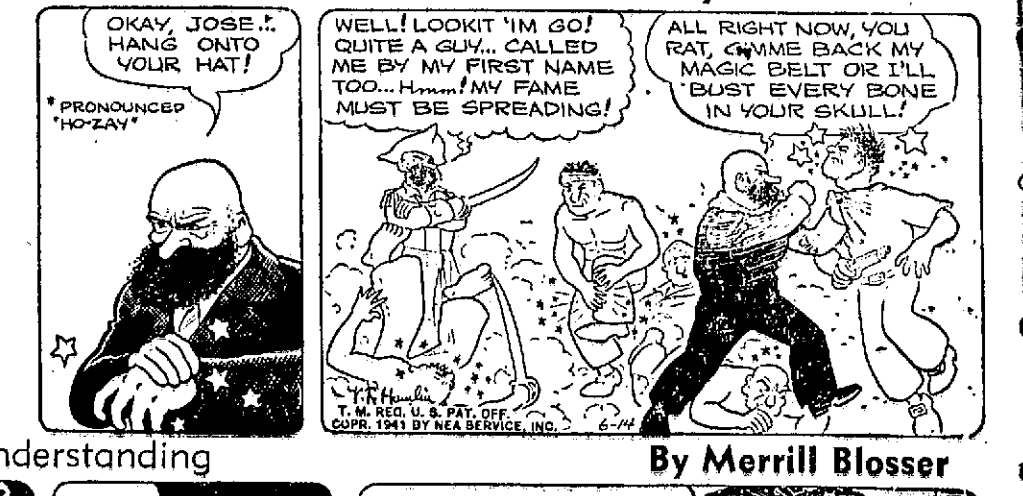
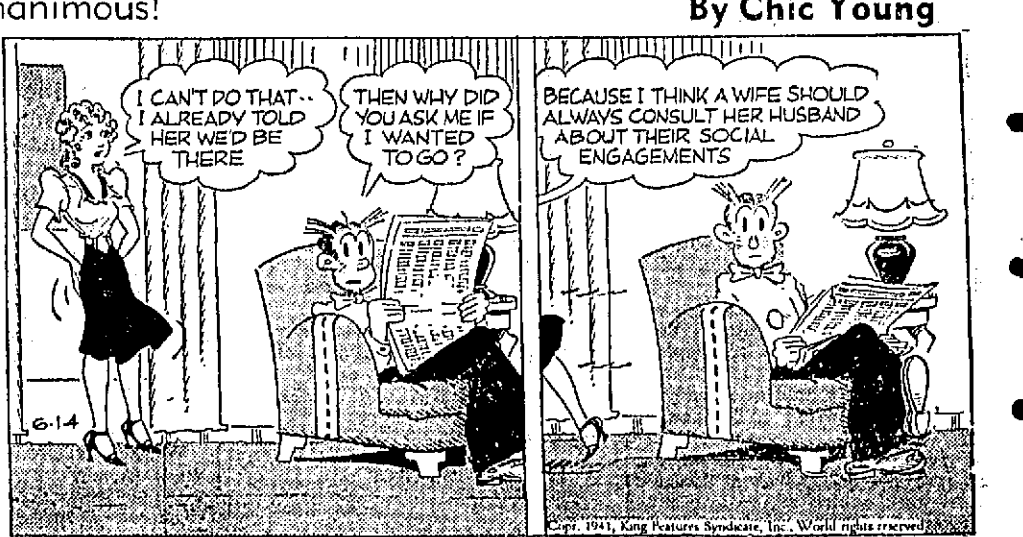
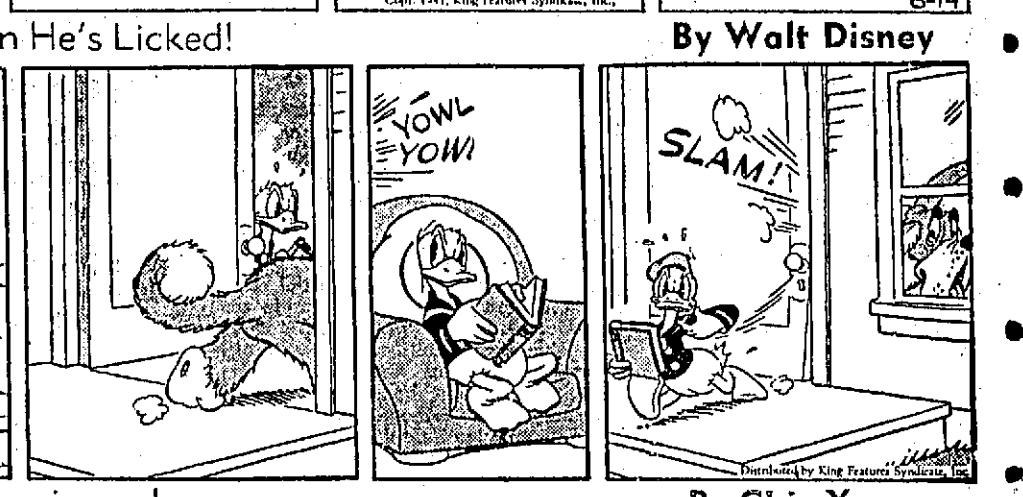
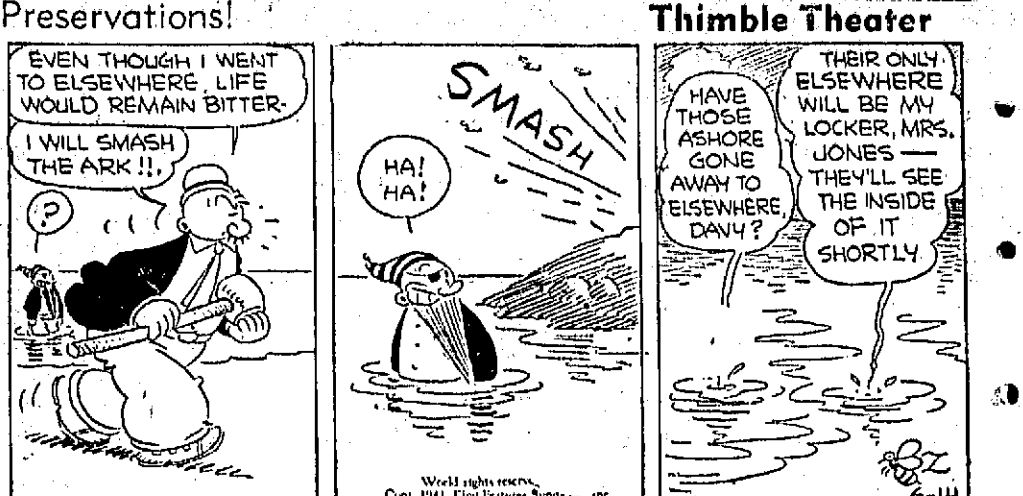
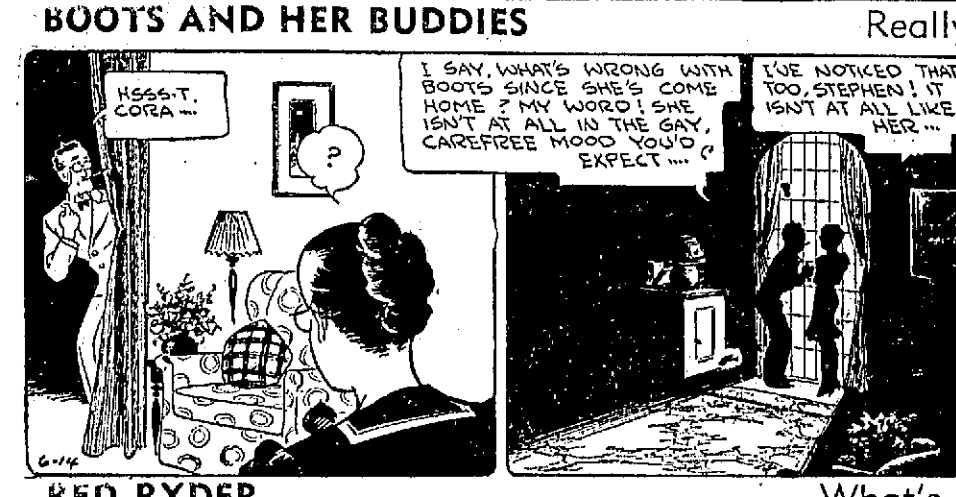
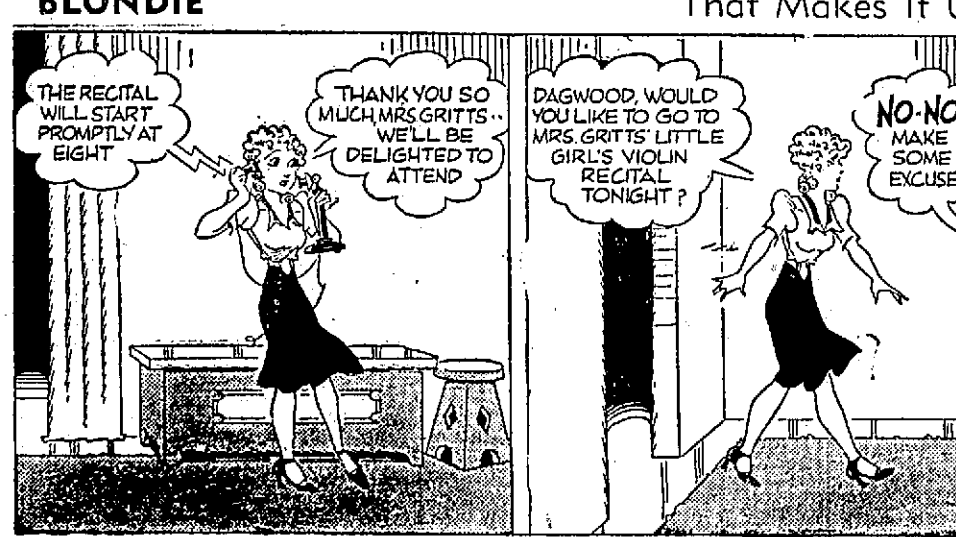
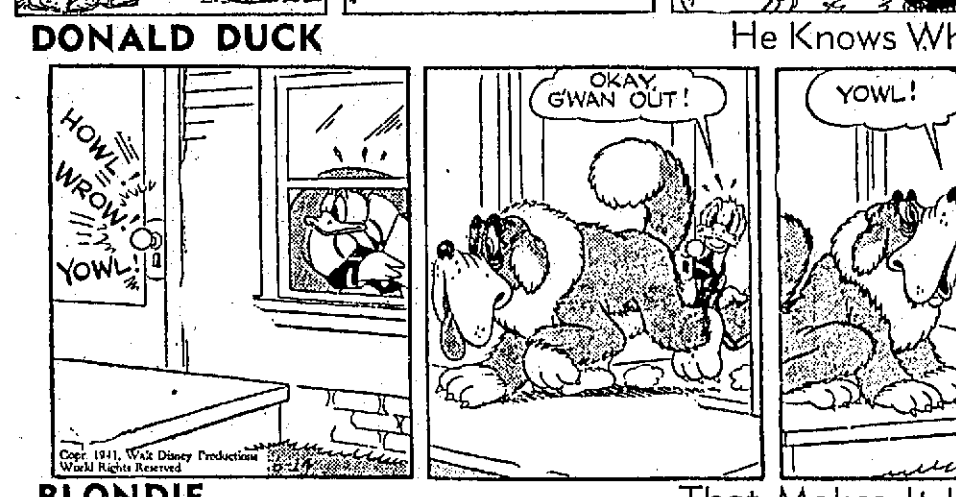
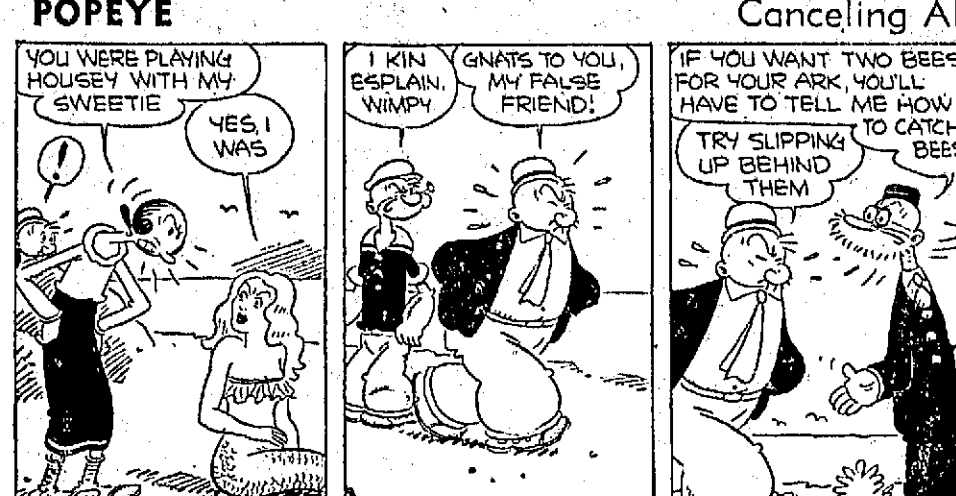
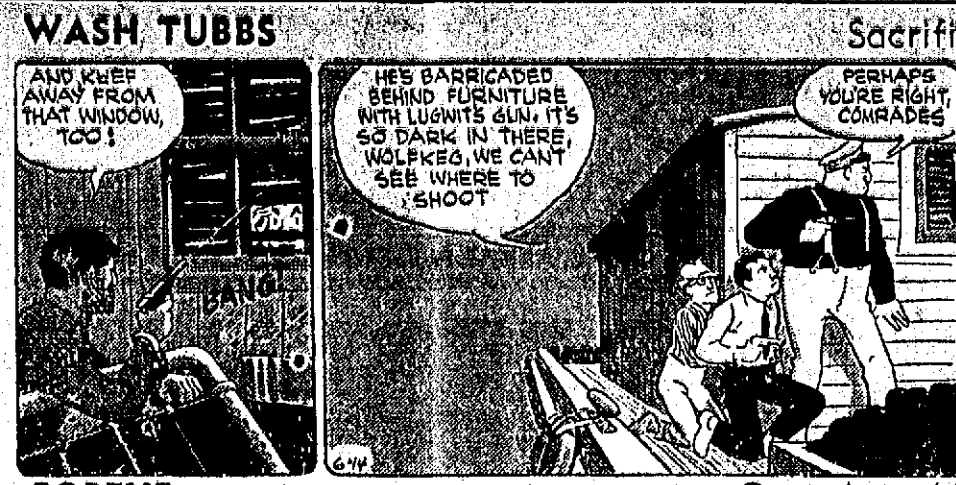
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Britt and son Joe Dale have returned to their home in Birmingham, Ala., after a pleasant visit here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dillard and little daughter, Bonnie Nell and Mrs. Birdie Dillard of Hobbs, N. M., were week-end guests here with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Mont Harris enjoyed the singing at Friendship Sunday.

Miss Bettie Joe Bordon of Prescott is here visiting Miss Dorothy Jane Ward.

Only one person in 4000 has difficulty in hearing telephone conversation, according to tests.









# Demonstrations on Comfort

## Various Meeting Held in Different Districts

The second series of comforter demonstrations for leaders have been held in the last two weeks. These leadership meetings were for the household art leaders, the clothing leaders and the home management leaders from each Home Demonstration Club according to Mary Claude Fletcher, Home Demonstration Agent.

The meetings were held in the different districts of the county so that all of the clubs could take part. The first meeting was held June 4th at the Home Economics Department of the Blevins school. The second demonstration was held at the Belton Church and the third demonstration will be held June 11th in the Home Demonstration Agent's office.

The Home Management leaders will have charge of the comforter making in each community and there will be a community demonstration where everyone is invited to see a comforter made before comforter making starts for individuals. Only the people who made mattresses in 1940 will receive comforters. We would like for everyone to learn to make the comforters since it is such a fine method of utilizing materials.

The club women are making use of cotton materials in making self-help garments for Hands Across the Sea program. These garments go as a part of the Red Cross to children across the sea. Every club woman is to donate and make a cotton garment to be finished by June 15. Cotton garments will be on parade at the June council meeting June 18 at Columbus. The adult program will be more in the form of a fashion review classed as house dresses, sport, afternoon dresses and children's self help garments.

The 4-H club groups will model and have judged their dresses for a county contest and the winning group



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## OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams

WELL, THE OLD PLACE HAS CHANGED MUCH

IT'S GOOD TO SEE YOU BOYS BACK. REMINDS ME OF THE OLD DAYS

THEY CAN'T TRAIN MEN FAST ENOUGH FOR THIS WAR WORK. SO THEY'RE HAVIN' TO INDUCE A BUNCH OF THE OLD RETIRED MACHINISTS BACK TO PUT SOME PEP INTO THE PROGRAM!

I DON'T THINK THEY HAD TO DO MUCH INDUCIN'—I'LL BET THE OLD BOY WITH THE VALET WENT UP FROM A MACHINIST TO A BANKER AND IS NOW GOING UP FROM A BANKER TO A MACHINIST!

THE CRINOLINE SQUAD

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# Edson in Washington

## Is Defense Bogged? Here Are the Facts

WASHINGTON — If this signs-of-the-times department interprets correctly, there is increasing belief in some sections that the American defense effort is stuck in the mud and muck of petty intrigue.

If you believe all these portents, a cross section picture of Washington today is something like this:

Army brass hats won't speak to Navy gold-bracers because the Navy claims it's all ready for anything, but has to mark time waiting for Army to catch up.

Army and Navy are both jealous of Knudsen's Office of Production Management, and of the advisory authority which OPM business men have over the contract-letting of the armed services.

OPM dollar-a-year men, on the other hand, are supposed to be sniping at the Army and Navy because they are bottlenecks, holding up the awards of contracts necessary to putting the defense production machinery in high gear.

New Dealers are yapping at OPM men supposed to be reluctant to scrap their "business as usual" beliefs and increase the productive plant of the country so that all-out, 24-hour, seven-day defense can get going.

And Army, Navy, OPM and all the manufacturers in the land charge or groups will go to the state camp at Fayetteville the first week of August.

The cotton stamp plan will be another important discussion at the council meeting. Club women will learn the value of cotton stamps and how to buy and what to buy from their local merchants. A picture and talk on the Cotton Stamp plan will be presented by a representative from the Surplus Marketing Administration.

The New Dealers are coddling labor, patronizing strikes, compromising with economy for the benefit of a bunch of no-account rascals while Labor counter-charges that OPM and the business men are using national defense as a vehicle to recoup profits and once more grow fat and sassy at the expense of the working people.

In the meantime, the President sits back with too many reins in his hands to do an effective job from the driver's seat.

Plenty of Self-Criticism

If this were indeed the true picture of Washington today, the best procedure would seem to be giving up completely and asking Germany for terms, and just how much of South America would she like, please.

But looking at this mural without either intent to white-wash or smear with the double cross of red or brown paint, the scene is in no sense the blindfold, battle royal, free-for-all slugging and back-stabbing brawl previously portrayed.

If some of these self-appointed critics, know-it-alls and bellyachers were given the job to step in and show how the defense effort should be run, then you would see confusion.

The truth is that no one element of national defense is satisfied with its own efforts.

Army and Navy procurement and supply officers are extremely critical of what they have done so far. The Army points justifiably to what happens when you put on too much speed, let contracts too fast and without examination or inspection. In cases of that kind, where Army contract officers have been told to shoot the works and never mind the cost, they get national disgraces like

## YOUNG ACTOR

HORIZONTAL

1 Actor son of an actor father, Douglas —

13 Blemish.

14 Merchandise.

15 Southwest (abbr.).

16 To make layers.

17 To warble.

18 X.

20 Dregs.

22 Hour (abbr.).

23 Paid publicity.

24 Anger.

25 Month (abbr.).

26 100 square meters.

27 Half an em.

28 Seed bag.

29 Receded.

31 Bow of a boat.

32 Tissue.

33 Heavenly body.

38 Animal.

37 Fish.

38 To place in layers.

39 Misfortune.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

16 His father was an — type of actor.

17 To view.

18 He is on a — South America.

21 Eagle.

23 Region.

25 To discuss.

26 Capable.

28 Milkman's hand cart.

30 Chamber.

31 Harbor.

33 Roosts.

34 Golf device.

35 Measure.

36 Cabbage plant.

41 Died.

43 Covered with crumbs.

46 Northwest (abbr.).

47 Cubic (abbr.).

48 Fastens a boat.

49 Antler.

50 Horseback game.

52 He is an — by birth.

53 He has acted in pictures here and —

12 To have.

51 Alleged force.

STANDINGS

SOUTHERN ASSOCIATION

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Atlanta	44	19	.698
Nashville	35	24	.593
New Orleans	31	31	.500
Knoxville	29	32	.475
Chattanooga	26	31	.456
Birmingham	28	39	.423
Little Rock	19	38	.333

Friday's Results

Little Rock 3, Memphis 1.  
Atlanta 3, Nashville 1.  
Birmingham 12, New Orleans 6.  
Chattanooga 6, Knoxville 3.

Games Saturday

Chattanooga at Knoxville.  
Nashville at Atlanta.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
St. Louis	38	16	.704
Brooklyn	34	18	.654
New York	26	25	.510
Cincinnati	27	26	.509
Chicago	24	27	.471
Pittsburgh	20	25	.444
Boston	17	31	.354
Philadelphia	16	34	.320

Friday's Results

St. Louis 1, Brooklyn 0.  
Only game played.

Games Saturday

Philadelphia at Chicago.  
Boston at Pittsburgh.  
New York at Cincinnati.  
Brooklyn at St. Louis.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Club	W.	L.	Pct.
Cleveland	36	20	.643
New York	30	22	.577
Boston	27	21	.563
Chicago	28	24	.538
Detroit	29	25	.537
Philadelphia	25	28	.472
St. Louis	17	33	.340
Washington	17	36	.321

Friday's Results

No games played.

Games Saturday

Detroit at Washington.  
St. Louis at Philadelphia.  
Cleveland at New York.  
Chicago at Boston.

# Jim 2-Time Skeet Loser

## Outshot, 49 to 48 by Johnny Wilson; F. Trimble Third

Johnny Wilson of Columbus was high man with 49 out of a possible 50 at Friday's skeet shoot at the Wilson Skeet club near Columbus.

Jim Wilson was second with 48, marking the second time Jim has failed to top the list (he lost the prize ham for the Wilson family last week).

Frank Trimble of Hope was third with 47, and Municipal Judge W. K. Lemley fourth with 46.

The Wilson Skeet club and Columbus will be host to the state skeet tournament July 4-5.

Friday's scores follow:

Shot at 50

John Wilson	49
Jim Wilson	48
Frank Trimble	47
W. K. Lemley	46
George Wylie	45
Roy Bennett	45
Charles Wilson	45
Dave Andrews	44
Ray McDowell	43
Frank McLarty	42
W. H. Wilson	42
Leo Robins	42
Louie Keith	41
Frank Nolen	40
Claud Nunn	39
Mrs. Andrews	39
Gib Lewis	39
Bill Steffie	37
Max Walker	35
Dr. Don Smith	36
Mary Wilson	26
E. P. Stewart	23

Shot at 25

R. E. Jackson	25
Miss Allie Powell	14

# Syrian Conflict

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Ship and Commerce had been signed at Rapallo between Germany and the Soviets. It was the work of Rathenau and Chicherin, the result of France's refusal to cooperate in any way with the Bolsheviks. For eleven years German-Russian cooperation continued and Germany supplied the executives, the engineers and the tools that made possible the fulfillment of the Five Year Plans.

Thus it was that Russian industrial production increased as follows (in millions of tons): coal from 35 to 140, pig-iron from 3 to 16, steel from 3 to 19, oil from 11 to 24, cement from 11 to 62. The number of motor vehicles increased from 0 to nearly 200,000.

But when Hitler came to power in 1933 with the backing of the great German financial and industrial interests, his first act was to set fire to the Reichstag and accuse the Communists of having done so. He then proclaimed that he had saved Germany from Bolshevism, which he denounced.

Soviet diplomacy quickly shifted to "cooperation with the Democracy" and innocently they took this change of heart at its face value. Stalin posed as the champion of anti-Nazism, and was so acclaimed by many well-meaning ideologists the world over. The Union of Socialist Soviet Republics was admitted to the League of Nations in 1934. Both France and Czechoslovakia made alliances with Russia, and when Japan joined Hitler's anti-Komintern pact in 1936, the Soviets gave active support to China.

Stalin Foresaw Inevitable War

But Stalin had long seen that war was inevitable. The construction of the Siegfried Line which made it impossible for the Western Powers to go to the assistance of Czechoslovakia or Poland, rendered Russia's position precarious indeed. Stalin saw that if ever Prague and Warsaw fell to Hitler, it would be Russia's turn next and the Nazis would take the rich granary of the Ukraine, the ideal Lebensraum promised by the Fuehrer to the Germans.

Stark, naked realism is and always has been Stalin's strong suit. He knew just how strong Germany was, for when reports reached him in May, 1939, that Hitler had 4000 heavy tanks, 50,000 motorcycles armed with machine guns and 18,000 planes, he did not pooh-pooh the idea as did the French General Staff. He made it his business to find out. He also knew just how weak France was, and how unprepared England. So he dismissed Litvinoff and took Molotov as Foreign Minister.

Stalin negotiated with both Germany and the Allies. Hitler sent diplomats, financiers and business men to Moscow; the Allies sent a military mission... with plans. Stalin played one off against the other and, having made a bargain with the envoys of

# Dissenting Opinion by Hughes



Retiring Chief Justice Charles Evans Hughes overrules plea of cameramen for more pictures as he leaves White House after lunch with President Roosevelt.

Hitler, whom he hates and distrusts, entered into the non-aggression pact with Germany on August 23, 1939. What did he get out of it?

After the conquest of Poland by Germany, Russia's share was five-eighths of the territory and more than half the population. Since then she has occupied the Baltic states and incorporated Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania into the Soviet Union. A year ago an ultimatum to Rumania caused the cession to Russia of Bessarabia and Bukovina.

Stalin Must Make Decision

Stalin's relations with Hitler have not always been quite to the latter's liking, and more than once there have been not inconsiderable movements of troops on both sides of the Russo-German frontier. This was the case when Russia showed disapproval of the German thrust in the Balkans and chided the states that adhered to the tri-partite pact. But now a more serious cloud has cast its shadow over the Near East, one that will test Stalin's diplomacy as never before.

Hitler is chained to the wheels of conquest. He cannot stop, he must go on. In the Eastern Mediterranean, this means that if Syria and Palestine, and the oil of Iraq and Iran are to be his, he must control the Dardanelles. That is why he is concentrating a formidable army on the Russian frontiers in Rumania and in Poland. Stalin must now decide whether he will allow the Dardanelles to fall into Hitler's hands and once more take his share of the loot—the oil of the Near and Middle East.

Might Result

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ed, are that a U. S. merchant ship, in accordance with the traditional policy of this country on the high seas engaged in peaceful commerce was sunk in the middle of the Atlantic ocean far removed from any combat area.

The American vessel, Wells emphasized, did not carry any cargo which was prohibited by American law or which was considered contraband by the U. S., and the cargo was not destined for any port in a combat zone.

That vessel, the undersecretary declared, had on board U. S. citizens including women and a child, who, he said, were forced to take to small lifeboats counter to all international law, international morality, and humanity.

It is probable, the undersecretary went on, that three-fourths of the passengers are crew of the vessel have been lost.

Wells also announced that the State Department had received a categorical denial from William Phillips, ambassador to Rome, of reports that some survivors of the Robin Hood had arrived in Italy.

A dollar doesn't have to go very far to forget the way back. Borrowing is very bad for some people. It makes them lose their memory. A Minnesota farmer inherited a fortune. Now he'll be able to farm a few years more.

# Japan Renews Her Axis Ties

## Matsuoka Reaffirms Pledges in Note to Mussolini

ROME — (AP) — A reaffirmation of Japan's ties with the Axis has been given Mussolini in a personal message from Japanese Foreign Minister Yosuke Matsuoka, it was announced here Saturday.

You can take a tip from even the lowly insect. It has a habit of getting at the root of things. Maybe the girl who doesn't use rough thinks discretion is the better part of pallor.

and chickens, but on feeding for greater production. The department's guarantee of "floors" on prices of certain wanted products extends only one to two years—the period it is estimated now that these products will be needed by a world at war or by a world that returns suddenly to peace with no prospect of immediate production in other lands besides the U. S.

In the Office of Production Management, officials will tell you that reduction in the manufacture of automobiles, ice boxes and other products using steel and aluminum not only has its defense aspect but its post-war aspect as well. Defense metals are conserved now for defense uses—and a future demand for cars, ice boxes and such is being built up that will go far, it is hoped, toward taking up the post-war slack.

This kind of double-barreled reasoning is being applied to almost every economic defense move. Another example of it is the nation-wide civilian pilot training program. The thought is only partially to provide a back-log of pilots with elementary training who can move on into the army or navy. Just as important is the creation of thousands of potential buyers for our vastly-expanded airplane factories.

Washington Gossip

There have been no detailed plans because the future is too uncertain. But already there is talk of vast public works projects—perhaps a great system of super-highways, bigger reclamation projects even than Boulder, Bonneville and Grand Coulee, and a nation-wide overhauling of housing. So far, this is only Washington conversation, but the fact that it is conversation is significant.

The one phase of the picture that is not clear is employment. Something apparently is happening in the labor market that the defense planners didn't figure on. In spite of the fact that production activity is greater than in 1929—about 1,500,000 men or more are under arms—labor experts and the two big unions estimate unemployment still is from six to nine millions. The explanation given is that women and young men, attracted by defense wages, have left their kitchens or schools to take employment. These were not heretofore considered in the labor market.

If this is true, and these young men and women stay in the labor market after the war is over, it may present a very difficult problem.

# Studies Made of Blueprints

## Post-War Economic Plans Are Look Up Studied

By JACK STINNETT

WASHINGTON — Because of the crush of sensational day-to-day news, practically nothing is heard about it, but government officials are giving more and more attention to post-war economic blueprints.

As yet there is no overall plan. But it crops up frequently in such statements as "big government is here to stay"—don't get the idea that defense jobs are temporary jobs—and the remark of Philip Reed, priorities consultant, before the National Association of Manufacturers: "I suspect the war will advance several decades the Twentieth Century trend away from laissez-faire and toward economic integration and industry-wide planning under government supervision."

And almost every government department that is working on defense efforts is trying to match its defense plans with a plan for an after-the-war "return to normalcy."

As OPM Sees It

In Agriculture's scheme for increased production of wartime necessities, the emphasis on building up milk and egg production, for example, is not on increasing the number of cows

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